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For : PUNCHING TOOL PROVIDED WITH TOOL IDENTIFICATION MEDIUM  
AND PUNCH PRESS PROVIDED WITH A TOOL IDENTIFICATION  
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**NOTICE OF APPEAL**

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Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of October 19, 2006 finally rejecting claims 14, 21 and 22.

The following item is submitted herewith:

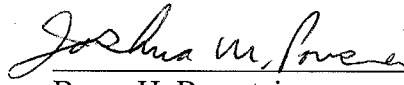
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